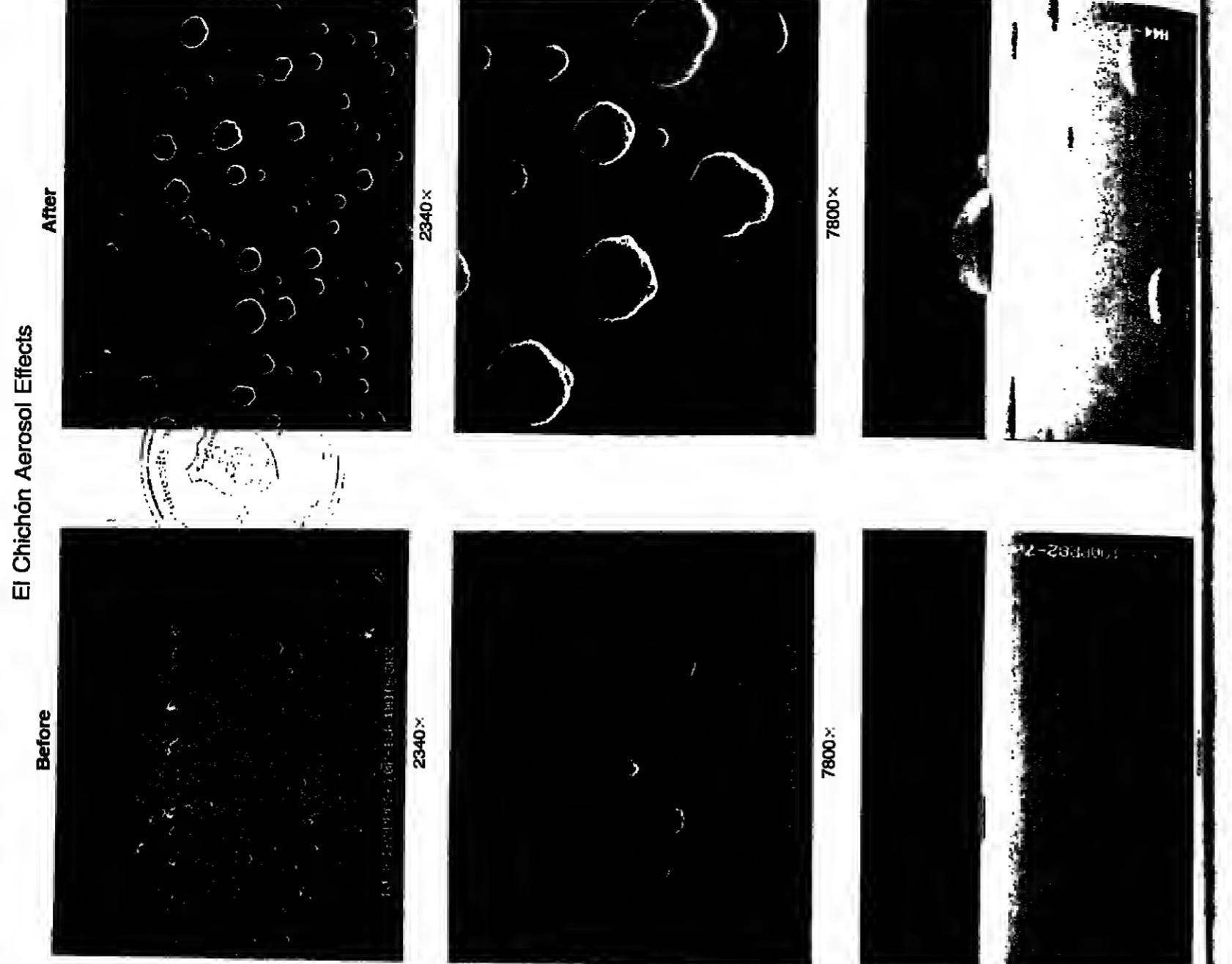


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A least-squares matrix inversion technique has been applied to surface displacement measurements gathered at Kilauea Volcano, Hawaii. In an attempt to locate centers of intrusive activity, this technique is an iterative procedure which utilizes analytic expressions for the displacement amplitudes from diurnal sources in an elastic half-space and applies it to either individually or simultaneously invert the total system of deformation data routinely collected at Kilauea to determine the location and the volume of the intrusion.

A variety of simple elastic model geometries for possible intruding bodies in the summit region of Kilauea have been used. Numerical (circular or elliptical) bodies to linear segments of finite length and of either vertical or horizontal orientation, to a spherical geometry, the location and relevant geometric parameters are determined simultaneously from available leveling and the available intrusion date. The standard deviations determined for each of the various model geometries indicate that, over the period of a little more than one year, the measurements taken in the summit region of Kilauea are incapable of distinguishing among the intrusive geometries investigated here.

Assuming the intrusion at depth splits is directly related to the volume of intruded material, the resulting magma supplied to the summit region of Kilauea can be determined from analysis of successive leveling surveys. Over a three-year period, the intrusion which preceded a sequence of summit and flank eruptions, the intrusion rate was remarkably constant. Taking into account the volume of magma erupted in the summit region and also along the flanks, the average magma rate of magma supplied over the four-year period between August 1968 to September 1970 was 9.07 cubic kilometers per year and the magma occupied a volume at any one time during this period did not differ from this average by more than 0.03 cubic kilometers (Dedeket, Intrusion, magma, Paper 38127, Geophys. Res., Green, Paper 3C123).

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Scientific Rationale

Human activities have reached a scale sufficient to impact the atmosphere on a global scale, with the best known examples being increasing levels of CO₂ related to fossil fuel combustion and the probable depletion of stratospheric ozone through photochemical based on nitrogen and halogen compounds (N₂O and chlorofluorocarbons). Other gases, such as CH₄ and N₂O, are also believed to be increasing, based on preliminary data from ambient air monitoring combined with studies of fossil gases in ice cores. A variety of photochemical, biological, and climate factors influence sources and sinks for atmospheric species of carbon, nitrogen, and sulfur. The goal of the Tropospheric Chemistry Program is to increase our understanding of chemical and physical processes that control the composition of the atmosphere with special emphasis on the potential global impact of human activities. The role of the global troposphere as the source and sink for substances in the stratosphere, the details of the troposphere-stratosphere interchange, and the process that control global tropospheric ozone are of particular interest to NASA, as is the eventual development of enhanced capability to study the troposphere and its composition from space.

At NASA's request, a scientific Working Group, headed by John H. Seinfeld of the California Institute of Technology, undertook a major effort in 1978-1980 to identify scientific objectives and make recommendations on appropriate research and development tasks that NASA should undertake to contribute to an understanding of tropospheric chemistry and to begin the development of space-based systems to study it. The Working Group's findings have been published as *NASA Reference Publication 1062*, "Report of the NASA Working Group on Tropospheric Program Planning." The Working Group recommended that NASA expand its ongoing tropospheric research program to provide the critical information needed for more complete understanding of the atmosphere on the regional to global scale where space-based measurements appear to offer the most promising advantages in the long run. The Working Group recommended the following scientific goals of the program:

1. Establishment of global atmospheric concentration distributions and budgets of these elements and compounds believed to be of key importance in global biogeochemical cycles.

2. Determination of the cause-and-effect relationships between these observed distributions and dominant controlling factors, such as atmospheric chemical transformations, biogeochemical and atmospheric sources and sinks strengths, and atmospheric transport.

The third phase of the Global Tropospheric Experiment is anticipated to begin in the early 1990's and will focus on global scale investigations of principal tropospheric chemical and transport processes with space-based measurement as a major tool. Many of the mission and design specifications for tropospheric chemistry measurements from space would be formulated on the basis of results of the aircraft studies, supported by extensive modeling.

A second scientific working group was convened in July 1981 to identify specific research tasks related to the development and use of modeling in the design of global tropospheric field experiments. The results of

this working group are published as *NASA Conference Publication 2251*, "Applying Modeling Results in Designing a Global Tropospheric Experiment." The principal findings reported in this document are as follows:

1. The chemical species most critical to advancing the understanding of heterogeneous gas-phase chemistry of the troposphere include OH, NO, and NO_x. Techniques for measurement of these species in the monsoon, remote atmosphere are under development but have not yet demonstrated satisfactory accuracy or precision. Completion of instrument research, development, and testing on the ground and from aircraft. The global concentration distribution of these species needs to be determined. Any field program should include both ground measurements and vertical profiles of these species. Data on seasonal variability at specific sites and interhemispheric concentration gradients for these species are of particular importance.

2. There is a second group of gaseous chemical species including CO, CH₄, O₃, NO_x, halogens, certain trace metals, and reduced sulfur species, for which it is possible to make accurate, precise measurements both on the ground and from aircraft. The global concentration distribution of these species needs to be determined. Any field program should include both ground measurements and vertical profiles of these species. Data on seasonal variability at specific sites and interhemispheric concentration gradients for these species are of particular importance.

3. Working group members concerned with measurements in the boundary layer placed strong emphasis on the need to develop capabilities for direct measurement of chemical fluxes between earth surface sources and sinks, the boundary layer, the free troposphere, and the stratosphere. A recommendation was made that additional fast-response chemical sensors be developed to increase capabilities for airborne flux measurements, with emphasis on particular needs for flux data on O₃, CO, CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, methane, hydrocarbons, and gaseous reduced sulfur species over oceans, tropical forests, wetlands, and areas of biomass burning.

4. To quantify global tropospheric budgets of chemical species such as O₃, NO, NO_x, and O₂ exchange between the troposphere and stratosphere must be investigated in detail. The working group on stratosphere-troposphere interaction recommended a program of field measurements in mid-latitude tropopause fold structures; these are regions of active stratosphere-troposphere exchange and large chemical gradients. Meteorological techniques using potential vorticity can be used to guide aircraft chemical sampling and to extrapolate results to global fluxes. A second region of particular importance for assessing stratosphere-troposphere exchange is the Intertropical Convergence Zone, where high altitude cumulus towers penetrate the tropopause.

5. In the area of modeling research needs for global tropospheric studies, the working

Forum

The Etymology of "El Chichón"

The eruption of El Chichón in the state of Chiapas, Mexico, in spring 1982 is clearly an important event for the study of volcanic effects on climate. Many reports have already appeared describing properties of the dust cloud (Robock, 1982), and comparisons of observed and calculated atmospheric effects have been undertaken (e.g., Quirós, 1982). We have meanwhile noted confusion regarding the meaning of the name of the volcano, and it is the intent of this note to clarify this problem.

One meaning given in various dictionaries—easy, presenting no problem, teasing, joke-playing (Central and South American)—seems irrelevant and will not be treated further here.

Robock [1982] states that "El Chichón" in Spanish means bump or swelling from below to the head; also, blouse; from Latin *obvius*, tumor. (Source: Royal Academy, *Diccionario de la lengua española* (18th ed.).

1956). Note: A recent English cognate for chichón is therefore *chub*. Indeed, this is the only definition carried in the Spanish Royal Academy's *Diccionario*. However, Spaniards and Latin Americans whose vocabulary goes beyond the dictionary are aware of other connotations, and some will readily refer to the highly popular, mildly erotic use of the word given in Santamaría [1950]: Augmentative formed from *richón*, which means manly gland or nipple. Feminine counterparts of chichón and another derivative, *chichona*, are *chichona*, *chichóna*, meaning, for example, a heavily-rouled woman. (Note: Chichón, or chichón, or chichón, is from the Basque *tsabitza*). Indeed, the association of this meaning with the volcano has been suggested in a letter to Robock from the British Ambassador to Mexico, Sir Clifton Tickell (February 28, 1983), citing no less authority than the former President of Mexico, José López Portillo, *Alal*.

Careful research, however, leads to a different conclusion. The scholarly and comprehensive *Diccionario de Mezquitanos* (Santamaría, 1959) points to a more logical direct meaning for "El Chichón": The name given

by the people of the states of Chiapas and Tabasco to a most beautiful palm plant (*Euterpe megalocarpa*, Liebm.) which grows to more than 2 m in height on the mountainsides, bearing a delicious-tasting, spindle-shaped fruit about 10 cm long. *Chichón* is an area with these palms. (Note: According to Medina [1982], the fruit itself has the name of "chichón.") That this is the proper meaning to be associated with the volcano has been confirmed by Ignacio Galindo, Director of the Mexican Institute of Geophysics (private communication, 1983), who further called attention to the documentation by Medina [1982], from which I quote:

"The area near the volcano presented a great abundance of a species of palm, *Euterpe megalocarpa* Liebm., whose fruit is named chichón, which is the basis for naming the volcano Chichón or Chichonal (see Santa María, 1950). It is appropriate to note that the official name assigned in the Catalog of Active Volcanoes of the World, published in 1958, is that of Chichón."

Thus it is clear that "El Chichón" refers to the palm, or its fruit, identified by Santamaría. The shape of the fruit described by Santamaría further raises the possibility, to this writer, that the fruit itself may have been named with Santamaría's other meaning (manly gland) in mind. *In situ* discussions with some of the older inhabitants of Chiapas may be needed to resolve this aspect of the problem.

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group stressed the need for emphasis on the development of coupled diurnal-photochemical models to explore the global budgets of O₃, CO, and other critical chemical species. One-dimensional and two-dimensional models will continue to play a critical role in regional transport and geochemical budget studies and also in exploring new chemical reaction schemes.

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The working group recognized that while extensive research is currently in progress on regional air pollution chemistry, studies of heterogeneous processes in remote, nonurban tropospheric regimes are in the very early stages of development. In the next few years, particular emphasis must be placed on the development of both collection and analytical techniques for ground and airborne measurements of gas-particle reactions, precipitation scavenging processes, and chemical deposition in oceanic and remote continental regions.

The working group stressed the importance of careful research into the monitoring of long-term trends in long-lived tropospheric trace gases such as CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, and certain halocarbon species. It was felt that NASA should explore its potentially unique role for developing space techniques for long-term monitoring of the global troposphere.

NASA has responded to the recommendations of the working group by directing its ongoing Tropospheric Chemistry Program toward a coordinated research effort to meet the recommended scientific goals. The investigations that make up this research program are collectively referred to as the Global Tropospheric Experiment.

7. The working group recommended the incorporation of careful research into the monitoring of chemical species such as O₃, NO, NO_x, and O₂ exchange between the troposphere and stratosphere must be investigated in detail. The working group on stratosphere-troposphere interaction recommended a program of field measurements in mid-latitude tropopause fold structures; these are regions of active stratosphere-troposphere exchange and large chemical gradients. Meteorological techniques using potential vorticity can be used to guide aircraft chemical sampling and to extrapolate results to global fluxes. A second region of particular importance for assessing stratosphere-troposphere exchange is the Intertropical Convergence Zone, where high altitude cumulus towers penetrate the tropopause.

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GTE Phase I: Chemical Instrumentation Test and Evaluation (CITE)

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Additional Studies

countered in the remote troposphere; (2) improvements in response time of measurement systems to enhance our capabilities for coupling chemical sensors to meteorological sensors for improved flux determinations; (3) expansion of our measurements capability to key tropospheric species for which we currently have no suitable measurement techniques; (4) expansion of the range of validity of laboratory measurement techniques to conditions encountered in field measurements; and (5) establishment of reliable absolute calibration procedures for instruments measuring key tropospheric species and intercomparisons of different instruments that can measure the same species in an effort to identify and correct any systematic errors.

The scientific objectives of the Global Tropospheric Experiment require concentration and flux data over a range of temporal and spatial scales. To accomplish these objectives requires a combination of remote and in situ systems for both ground and airborne measurements.

Measurement Technique
Intercomparisons: 1982-1984

An ad hoc Scientific Steering Committee was established in 1982 to develop a detailed strategy for evaluation of the advanced measurement techniques mentioned above. The committee recommended a three-step test and evaluation program involving a ground-based intercomparison, an airborne intercomparison in the tropical troposphere with particular attention to the boundary layer over the ocean and over tropical forests, and an airborne intercomparison in the upper troposphere. This strategy will systematically expose the measurement systems under current development and evaluation in conditions which will be encountered in GTE phase 2 field experiments. Particular attention will be given to assessing the effect of potential interferences in the measurement of OH and NO.

The principal investigators for the NASA GTE/GTEC are Malcolm J. Campbell, Washington State University, OH-Radical-tracer Tracer; Charles C. Wang, Wayne State University, OH-Laser Induced Fluorescence, Laser; Douglas D. Davis, Georgia Institute of Technology, OH-Single Photon, Laser-Induced Fluorescence, *in situ* and NO-Two Photon, Laser Induced Fluorescence, *in situ*; Mack McFarland, NOAA Environmental Research Laboratories, and Brian A. Ridley, National Center for Atmospheric Research, NO-Chemiluminescence; Arnold L. Torres, NASA Wallops Flight Center, NO-Chemiluminescence; and James M. Hoell, NASA Langley Research Center, CO-Laser Differential Absorption.

The ground-based measurement technique evaluation took place at the NASA Wallops Flight Center, Wallops Island, Va., in July 1983. In addition to simultaneous measurements of OH and NO, a wide range of meteorological and chemical parameters are being analyzed to assist in the interpretation of any differences which may be reported by the several techniques measuring OH and NO. This activity will also result in one of the most comprehensive air chemistry data sets ever obtained at a nonurban location and will constitute the first effort to intercompare advanced instrumentation for detecting the extremely low concentrations of OH and NO found in the remote troposphere.

Following the ground-based evaluation in a coastal environment, the second step in the program will be airborne measurement technique evaluations in and above the tropical boundary layer. The tropical portion of the program will operate from Barbados. These flights could take place as early as November 1983, depending on the results of the July ground-based measurement technique evaluation. Intercomparison flights are planned over the tropical Atlantic Ocean and over tropical forests of South America. These flights will expose the instruments being evaluated to a wide range in water vapor, arine and continental aerosol, and natural hydrocarbon concentrations. A NASA CV-990 aircraft platform will carry the advanced instrument systems being evaluated together with associated supporting measurements of meteorological and chemical parameters (water vapor, temperature, aerosol particle size and chemistry, hydrocarbons, etc.).

The final step of the measurement technique evaluation program will be conducted in the upper troposphere, over the U.S. mid-continent, possibly as early as spring 1984. This airborne intercomparison will use tropopause flights events to expose the measurement techniques being evaluated in a wide range in concentrations of ozone and other key species of the upper troposphere. The preliminary plans call for this instrument intercomparison flight to be conducted simultaneously with U2 flights in the lower stratosphere as part of a major field study of stratosphere/troposphere exchange.

At the end of these three intercomparison activities, NASA plans an intensive analysis of the results that will provide guidance for the selection of the experimental techniques to be deployed in systematic measurement campaigns planned for later in this decade.

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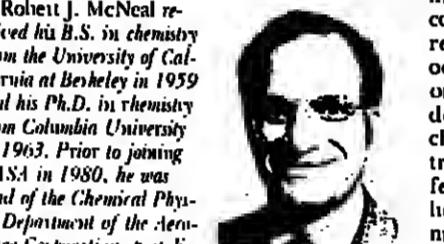
Molecular-Orbital Experiments

Molecular orbitals (MO) are theoretical entities created to describe probability functions of bonding electrons in molecular groups.

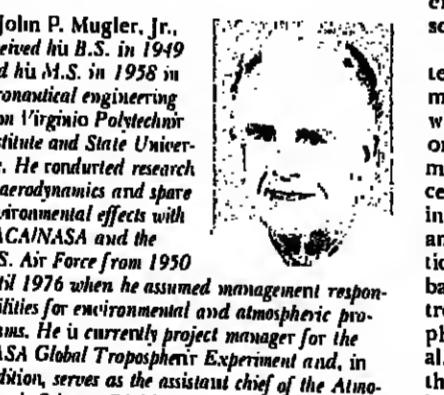
Whereas one-electron wave functions that describe atomic orbitals have been measured for decades by spectrographic techniques, bonding electrons in molecules have been less discrete objects to measure directly. The ultimate hopes of those engaged in applied MO theory in the field of mineral physics' role in being able to deduce the nature of bonding electrons precisely.

A new application of the so-called Penning ionization principle may make these hopes realizable; it offers the first opportunity to obtain by direct measurement quantitative electron densities within the orbitals. Called a Penning ionization electron spectroscopy (PIES) technique, this potentially major breakthrough in molecular orbital studies was developed by Koichi Ohno, Hiroki Mutoh, and Yoshiya Harada of the University of Tokyo. As described recently, the results of the University of Tokyo group have shown that "... a spectroscopic technique can provide information about individual molecular orbitals and that ... [the technique] ... is most sensitive to the outermost orbitals" (*Chemical and Engineering News*, August 1, 1983).

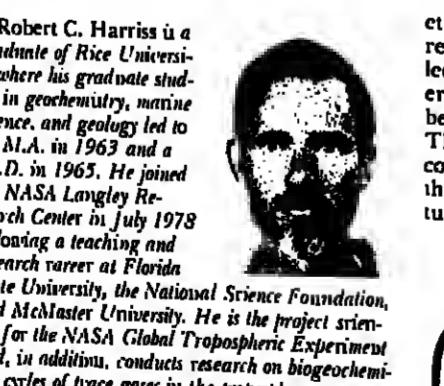
Continued planning of phases 2 and 3 of the GTE will require input from the scientific community on optimum design of global tropospheric field of new measurement techniques for many extremely important trace gases. Research needs related to flux measurement, heterogenous processes, global scale cloud chemistry, and related topics still remain to be specified in detail and will be the topics of Working Group meetings in the near future.



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New Consortium on Atmosphere

In July 1983 a group of universities and university-affiliated institutions established a new, non-profit consortium on atmospheric resources development.

The initial thrust of the Consortium will be to accomplish in-depth assessments of the scientific status and research needs in three areas of atmospheric modification. These have been established as research relating to atmospheric precipitation enhancement with a major focus on application, delivery, and transport of seeding materials; basic research and hypothesis development relating to convective precipitation; and basic, applied, and societal research relating to radiation management. Scientific/technical committees composed of national experts including members of the Consortium and scientists from other institutions are being established. It is envisioned that available funding will be used among these three scientific committees together to perform major assessments of the scientific problems and the research needs, a prelude to development of future research plans to address various scientific questions identified in these three areas of research.

The Consortium is seen as a means for establishing the scientific basis for a more focused and better organized research. Membership in the consortium is available to universities and university-affiliated research organizations who demonstrate an interest in an organization that will provide a broad base for involvement in basic, applied, and societal research relating to atmospheric resources enhancement. There are 10 charter members of the consortium, although additional universities and affiliated research organizations may be admitted to membership upon the vote of two thirds of the board of directors. The charter members are: Brigham Young University, Colorado State University, Illinois Water Survey, University of Minnesota Rulla, Montana State University, New Mexico State University, North Dakota University, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, University of Utah, and Utah State University.

Obno et al. experimented with simple, inorganic compounds such as water, nitrogen, carbon monoxide, and a few others. The spectroscopic technique analyzes electrons that are ejected from a sample material due to an ionization process caused by the bombardment of a beam of excited helium (metastable) atoms. In the spectrometer, the helium atoms collide with the sample and in doing accept an electron transferred from the molecular outer orbitals. The molecule becomes ionized and the helium atoms affected return to the ground state. Electron transfer occurs with high probability just as the helium atom and molecule are separated by their van der Waals radii, and thus a momentary charge transfer occurs at the point of electron orbital overlap. The electrons are transferred to the inner-shell orbitals of the excited helium atoms from the outer orbitals of the molecule of the sample.

Because orbital overlap must occur to cause this process, the inner orbitals of the sample molecules are not detected with high probability or not at all. Orbitals that extend beyond the molecular surface have the highest probability of affecting electron transfer. In water molecules, for example, the outermost orbitals are detected with the greatest intensity. A PIES spectrum of water is a plot of energy versus electron density, each peak representing a separate outer orbital.

The origins of this application of the PIES technique can be found in recent developments of photoelectron spectroscopy, in which it has been possible to relate molecular orbitals to ionization bands in closed-shell molecules. Ionization potentials compare nicely with theoretical orbital energy values in certain materials. In the PIES technique, analysis of the kinetic energy (KE) distribution of the ejected electrons is made. The KE bands (equal to 0.3 MV² of the ejected electrons) are similar to those in an ultraviolet photo-electron spectrum of a sample material. These energies can be turned to relate to the ionization potentials and thus to the absolute values of the orbital energies.

In their description of the technique, Ohno et al. state: "... phenomena which directly reflect orbital functions for individual molecular orbitals have eluded observation hitherto, although total electron densities have been measured by diffraction methods..." This new method may prove to have exciting consequences in evaluating MO calculations that have been formulated for mineral structures.—PMB

One of the strongest quakes recorded in 1983, registering 7.8 on the Richter Scale, occurred May 26 in the Sea of Japan off the west coast of the Japanese Island of Honshu. The quake and the resulting tsunami, or seiche, expressed in this publication do not necessarily reflect official positions of the American Geophysical Union unless expressly stated.

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Data will be used in the development of numerical models of iceberg drift under different conditions of winds and currents. The iceberg was estimated to be 1,100,000 m³ in volume and was 33 m high, 83 m deep, 110 m wide, and 119 m long. (Photo courtesy of Stuart D. Smith, Bedford Institute of Technology, Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 4A2 Canada.)

ice sea wave, were responsible for the deaths of 104 persons. In another major catastrophe, 59 persons were killed in a 5.2-magnitude quake that struck northern Iran on March 25.

During this period another major quake, recorded at 7.8, was centered in the sparsely populated New Ireland region of the South Pacific, near the Solomon Islands; no deaths were reported.

On May 2 a quake registering 6.2 rocked Coalinga, Calif., injuring 15 persons, 13 seriously, and severely damaging the downtown area and more than 500 houses. Numerous aftershocks, some with magnitudes as great as 6.0, have been recorded in the area.

Of the 192 earthquakes recorded in the United States in the first half of 1983, 61 were felt in California, 61 in Alaska, 30 in Hawaii, 8 in Nevada, 4 in Montana, and 3 in Washington. Seventeen other states, reflecting a relatively even distribution across all regions of the country, also experienced tremors.

The earthquake statistics for 1982 (see *Eos*, April 5, 1983, p. 129) and for the first half of 1983 reflect the continuation of an unusual, short-term pattern in seismic activity. Not only is the number of quakes rather steady below the long-term average of 10,000 per year, but also a mere 5 quakes during the first 6 months of this year were 7.0 or greater, and none were recorded at 8.0. The long-term average is 18 earthquakes per year of 7.0 to 7.9 magnitude and one per year registering at least 8.0.

Humanities graduates did relatively well this year over past years. The candidates with bachelor's degrees in the humanities had average starting salary offers of over \$16,550 per year. The total number of offers in this area increased over last year.

Offers to women graduates were up this year. There were no significant differences in men's and women's starting salary offers for engineering groups. In other technical fields, women's starting salaries were slightly lower than men's, but the gap appears to be narrowing. In economics, for example, the average starting salary offer to women was \$19,116 per year, compared with the men's average of \$19,056. These figures are based on data supplied to the College Placement Council from 185 placement offices at the 160 participating colleges and universities.

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Geophysics Job Market

According to data released by the College Placement Council for the report year ending July 1983, the job market for graduates in geophysics, engineering, and science reflects the reality of economic recovery. The number of job offers was down sharply, but this did not reflect the number of positions filled.

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The University of Missouri-Columbia/Faculty Positions. The University of Missouri-Columbia Observatory of Geology is investigating expansion through the addition of three tenure-track faculty positions. Appointments are anticipated at the assistant professor level, although higher ranks may be possible, beginning in August of 1984. Candidates will be expected to have completed requirements for the Ph.D. degree by that time. Faculty members are required to provide quality instruction at both undergraduate and graduate level, and conduct research leading to scholarly publications. Successful candidates will be chosen from the following specialties:

- Exploration Geophysics
- Solid-Earth Geophysics
- Hydrogeology
- Analytical Stratigraphy
- Geochronology
- Classical Sedimentology

Applications should be received, transcripts, and names and addresses of three references to:

Tom Freeman, Chairman
Department of Geology
University of Missouri
Columbia, MO 65211

Tenure-Track Faculty Position-Geophysics/New Mexico State University. We are seeking a faculty member to teach geophysics, emphasizing both undergraduate and graduate level courses, including research and supervising graduate level thesis and dissertation research. We are particularly interested in a seismologist, but persons with experience in other geophysical techniques are invited to apply.

Minimum qualifications include an earned doctorate in geophysics or a closely related area and demonstrated research capability. Teaching experience and research interests in geophysics and/or seismology are desirable. The position is available in January 1984 for the fall academic year. Appointment will be at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. Salary and academic rank will be dependent on experience and qualifications.

Applicants must include address and telephone numbers of at least three references and be submitted to Dr. Chandler S. Stenberg, Department of Earth Sciences, P.O. Box 3A-2, Las Cruces, NM 88003.

Applications received by October 15, 1983 will be given preference.

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Chairman Department of Geological Sciences/Wright State University. The Department of Geological Sciences invites applications for the position of chairman to be appointed September 1984. We seek a dynamic individual with administrative talent and an appreciation for research and practice-related educational activities. Rank is at the full professor level and no restrictions have been placed on salary or specification. The department is active with 12 faculty and an emphasis on professional practice, yet maintaining a firm commitment to basic research.

Send a letter of application, curriculum vitae and names of three references to:

Chairman, Search Committee
Department of Geological Sciences
Wright State University
Dayton, OH 45455

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Earth Sciences

The Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory of Columbia University invites scientists interested in any field of the earth sciences to apply for the following fellowships: Two postdoctoral fellowships, each awarded for a period of one year (extendable to two years in special instances) beginning in September, 1984 with a stipend of \$25,000 per annum.

Completed applications are to be returned by January 15, 1984. Application forms may be obtained by writing to the Director, Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory, Palisades, New York 10564. Award announcements will be made February 28, 1984, or shortly thereafter.

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Department of Geology/Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Applications are invited for a tenure-track position starting Fall 1984, probably at the Assistant or Associate Professor Level starting in August, 1984.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. degree or expect completion by Fall 1984. Rank and salary are open depending upon qualifications and experience. We seek a candidate whose research and teaching interests are in the field of sedimentology. Persons with specific interests or experience in applied sedimentology, petroleum exploration or ore deposits are encouraged to apply. Duties will include undergraduate and graduate teaching supervision of thesis, and development of a research program in the area of specialization.

Application deadline is December 2, 1983. Send letters to Lawrence L. Mancuso, Department of Geology, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale is an equal opportunity employer.

Monash University—Department of Earth Sciences/Continuing Lecturer in Geophysics. Geophysicist to initiate a geophysics program in January 1984 to complement an already comprehensive geoscience program. Qualifications required for 1983: Applicants must have experience in geological data collection, field programs and data interpretation in exploration. Interest in electromagnetics desirable. The position will plan a geophysical curriculum, teach undergraduate courses and help develop a graduate program to include M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees. Applications including Ref. no. 41812, curriculum vitae and 3 referees to the Registrar, Monash University, Clayton, Vic. 3108, Australia by October 24, 1983.

Meteorologist/The City College of The City University of New York. The Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences invites applications for an anticipated opening in meteorology. The appointment will start September, 1984. Applicants should have completed the Ph.D. by the time of appointment. Salary and rank will be dependent on the development of a strong research program. In addition, the successful candidate is expected to participate in all aspects of teaching and advising at the graduate and undergraduate levels.

The Department of Geology houses a variety of facilities for geochemical research, including an infrared spectrometer, x-ray diffractometer and fluorescence, an atomic absorption-spectrometer, and two electron microscopes. Numerous other analytical facilities are available on campus.

This position is available immediately. We expect to make the appointment at the Assistant Professor level. Salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. For equal consideration, please submit a letter of interest which includes a statement of current and future research interests, as well as curriculum vitae, bibliography, and the names of 5 references willing to comment on your qualifications and promise to Thomas P. Anderson, Department of Geology, 245 Natural History Building, 1301 W. Green St., Urbana, IL 61801, (217)533-0585 by November 30, 1983. The University of Illinois is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

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DIRECTOR WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH CENTER UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Applications are invited for the position of Director of the Arizona Water Resources Research Center. The Center, located at the University of Arizona, is an interdisciplinary organization formed in response to the 1964 U.S. Water Resources Act and is devoted to assisting water-related research activities at the three state universities and to the dissemination of results of water-related research in the State. It also conducts research investigations within its organization, with special emphasis on the urban, industrial and agricultural water use issues of arid and semi-arid regions. Candidates should possess an earned Ph.D., preferably in engineering or a natural science, an established research and administrative record, and familiarity with the role and operations of a state water resources research center. Please send an application, curriculum vitae, and the names of three references to:

Dean, College of Engineering
Bldg. 72
University of Arizona
Tucson, AZ 85721

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Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute/A Tenure-Track Faculty Position in Post-Doctoral Research Fellowships. The Department of Geology at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute is seeking applicants for two postdoctoral fellowships, a tenure-track faculty position and a postdoctoral research position.

The postdoctoral position is available beginning January 1984 to do research in the field of fusion energy. Particularly important is the application of the technique of electron spin resonance to the understanding and growth of ice (M.S. and Ph.D.) with capability to do creative research in the quantitative sciences. Preference will be given to individuals with teaching experience beyond the Ph.D.; the level of the appointment is open.

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